



## Halibut Point State Park

Department of Conservation and Recreation



## **Fall Programs**

Programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. Reasonable accommodations available upon request. Guided group tours available with advance reservations: 978.546.2997 or halibut.point@mass.gov

Wednesday-Sunday 9:00 am-3:00pm After October 9, open Saturday and Sunday **VISITOR CENTER & EXHIBITS 9:00am-3:00pm** 

Visit the recently renovated World War II tower, now visitor center. Learn about this site's quarrying and WWII history and discover plants and animals that live in this rocky coastal park. For all ages.

Third Sundays September 17 October 15 November 19 **BIRDING BASICS WALK** 

8:00-10:00 am. Meet in parking area

Stroll our seaside treasure with birding basics. Watch for various species in the field's, woodland's, and water's edges. Learn about bird sounds, habits, and fight patterns. Enjoy vast ocean views! Bring binoculars if you have them. For all ages.

Saturdays September 2, 9, 16, & 23

WHEN GRANITE WAS KING!

Babson Farm Quarrying History Guided Tour

10:00-11:00 am. Meet at parking area

Over one hundred years ago, the Rockport Granite Company quarried granite stone here. Touch tools of the trade. Find out how they moved these large, heavy stone pieces and how they "paved" dirt streets in our Nation's growing cities—and around the world!

Saturday September 30 **QUARRYING TALES & TOOLS** HPSP Friends Co-sponsor 10:00—11:30 am, meet at Visitor Center

Fred Peterson shares quarrying tales and his vintage quarryman's tools. Learn about the over 100-year granite quarrying industry of yesteryear and about today's use of granite. For all ages.

Sunday October 15 HALIBUT ROCKS! GEOLOGY AT THE POINT 10:00 am—12:00 pm. Meet at Visitor Center

Billions of years in the making, continents colliding and dividing, mile-high ice covering, scraping, and sculpting our landscape—Seek the evidence under your feet in and on the Point's granite grounds. Rain cancels. For ages 8 years+.

Sunday November 19 ATLANTIC "PATH" TREK (Not a path at all) 11:00 am—3:00 pm. Meet at parking area

Trek Rockport's historic Atlantic "Path" featuring great bird watching, curious geology, and incredible views. **Advisory**: This is a challenging trek along an uneven rocky coastline from Halibut Point to the Emerson Inn and back. Consider wearing pants/boots due to sections of wet thicket and insects. Bring snacks/water. There are no amenities along the way. Rain cancels. For ages 12 years+.

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